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Applicant submits this Letter in view of the Office Action dated April 24, 2002, in the above-identified application. In reviewing the Office Action, Applicant notes that the Examiner has not yet indicated consideration of the material submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on April 12, 2002. Specifically, the Examiner's has not returned an initialed PTO-1449 form, submitted with that paper, indicating consideration of this material. Attached, for the Examiner's convenience, are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, the PTO-1449 form, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office date stamped postcard receipt indicating the filing of those papers on that date.

Since the material listed on the PTO-1449 form was submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement that was timely filed prior to the mailing of the Office Action, Applicant requests that the Examiner consider these documents and indicate his consideration by initialing and returning the attached PTO-1449 form.

Applicant believes that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fees be associated herewith. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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